CLAIMS

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of claims:

1-48. (cancelled)

49. (currently amended) A printing ~~communication~~ system for ~~capable of~~ printing image data, which is selected ~~by a user device on a user side~~ from image data to be supplied from a supplier device by a user device ~~on a supplier side~~, comprising:

a printer, which comprises ~~includes~~:

first connection means for connecting to said user device;

second connection means for connecting to said supplier device via the Internet;

request reception means for connecting to said user device by said first connection means and receiving request ~~transaction~~ data from said user device ~~via said first connection means~~;

notification means for connecting to said supplier device via the Internet by said second connection means and notifying said supplier device of the request ~~transaction~~ data and a model of said printer ~~via said second connection means~~;

image ~~data~~ reception means for connecting to said supplier device via the Internet by said second connection means and receiving image data corresponding to the request ~~transaction~~ data from said supplier device ~~via said second connection means~~; and

printing means for printing the image data received ~~by said data reception means~~,

and

wherein said user device includes:

sending means for sending identification of image data to said supplier device via the Internet; and

response reception means for receiving the transaction data corresponding to the identification, from said supplier device, and

wherein said supplier device comprises includes:

determination means for determining whether the model of said printer, notified by said notification means, can guarantee safety of the image data on the basis of the model of said printer notified by said notification means; and

image data transmission means for transmitting the image data to said printer, when the determination by said determination means determines indicates that the model of said printer can guarantee the safety of the image data.

50. (currently amended) The communication system according to Claim 49, wherein said printer comprising including:

transmission means for connecting to said supplier device via the Internet by said second connection means and transmitting, to said supplier device, charge information in response to print by said printing means.

51. (currently amended) The communication system according to Claim 49, wherein said printer comprising including;

charge information storage means for storing said charge information; and

deletion means for deleting said charge information from said charge information

storage means after having sent said charge information to said supplier device in case that a

power-off operation of said printer has been detected.

52. (currently amended) The communication system according to Claim 49,

wherein said printer comprising ~~including~~:

storage means for storing the image data received by said image ~~data~~ reception

means;

deletion means for deleting said image data from said storage means in case that

the image data has been stored in said storage means for a predetermined time, or in case that the

power-off operation of said printer has been detected.

53. (currently amended) The communication system according to Claim 49,

further comprising:

a management device comprising ~~on a manager side including~~ management means

for registering and managing said printer;

wherein said determination means determines if the model of said printer has been

registered by said management means.

54. (cancelled).

55. (currently amended) A control method for controlling a supplier device on a

supplier side that supplies image data, comprising:

a determination step for determining whether ~~a model of~~ a printer~~, notified by said printer,~~ can guarantee safety of the image data <u>on the basis of a model of said printer notified by said printer</u>; and

an image ~~a data~~ transmission step of transmitting the image data to said printer, when ~~the determination of~~ said determining step <u>determines</u> ~~indicates~~ that ~~the model of~~ said printer can guarantee the safety of the image data,

wherein said printer <u>comprises</u> ~~includes~~:

first connection means for connecting to a user device on a user side;

second connection means for connecting to said supplier device via the Internet;

request reception means for <u>connecting to said user device by said first connection means and</u> receiving <u>request</u> ~~transaction~~ data from said user device ~~via said first connection means~~;

notification means for <u>connecting to said supplier device via the Internet by said second connection means and</u> notifying said supplier device of the <u>request</u> ~~transaction~~ data and <u>a</u> ~~the~~ model of said printer ~~via said second connection means~~;

image ~~data~~ reception means for <u>connecting to said supplier device via the Internet by said second connection means and</u> receiving image data corresponding to the <u>request</u> ~~transaction~~ data~~, which includes identification of the image data,~~ from said supplier device ~~via said second connection means~~; and

printing means for printing the image data received ~~by said data reception means~~.

56. (cancelled).